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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Customer No. 23643

Group: 1732

Confirmation No.: 2174

Application No.: 10/058,508

Invention: COMPOSITE PROSTHETIC BEARING
CONSTRUCTED OF POLYETHYLENE
AND AN ETHYLENE-ACRYLATE
COPOLYMER AND METHOD FOR
MAKING THE SAME

Applicant: Richard King et al.

Filed: January 28, 2002

Attorney

Docket: 265280-68188

Examiner: Edmund H. Lee

DATED: JULY 10, 2006

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action of January 9, 2006. In this regard, please consider the following:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.